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Serial No:	09/159,569	)	Old Attorney Docket No:
		)	P98,1699
Filed:	September 24, 1998	)	Group Art Unit No: 2713
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Title:	SOLID-STATE IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE	)	Examiner: Unknown
	AND DRIVING METHOD THEREFOR	)	

STATUS INQUIRY

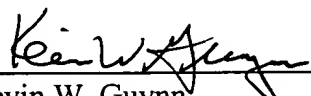
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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified patent application that was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 24, 1998, we have not received any communication from the U.S. Patent Office since confirmation of the return receipt postcard stamped dated by the USPTO on September 1, 1999 acknowledging filing of the IDS. At this time, we respectfully request the current status of this application.

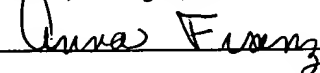
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